

## Spokane Tribal Natural Resources

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Army Corps of Engineers ATTN: Ms. Karen Urelius 4735 East Marginal Way South Seattle WA 98134-2385

RE: 401 Certification of Nationwide Permits

Dear Ms Karen Urelius

In accordance with Section 401 (a)(1) of the Clean Water Act of 1977 and provisions of the Spokane Tribal Water Quality Standards, the Spokane Tribal Interim Water Control Board herby partially denies CWA Section 401 certification for all applicable Nationwide Permits for activities within the jurisdiction of the Spokane Indian Reservation.

These recommendations were made originally in May 2007 and still apply today.

Specific to the Reservation and the Tribal Water Quality Standards we propose including the following conditions when the certification could discharge to waters of the Spokane Indian Reservation.

- 1) The applicant shall be responsible for achieving compliance with the Spokane Tribal Water Quality Standards.
- 2) The applicant shall submit copies of applications materials to the Spokane Tribal Water Control Board for review and approval at the same time they are submitted to Army Corps of Engineers and prior to any disturbance activities.
- 3) The applicant shall comply with all Spokane Tribal Integrated Resource Management Plan (IRMP) guidelines for land use activities and disturbances.
- 4) The applicant shall allow the Tribal Water Control Board and Interdisciplinary Team to inspect the area in question and adopt recommendations made throughout its operation.

5) Monitoring of the discharge shall occur at a level indicated by EPA, the Tribe, are subject to change, and shall be submitted to both entities.

The correspondence address for the Spokane Tribe Water Control Board is:

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Please contact us at (509) 626-4409 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Brian Crossley

Interim Water Control Board

Spokane Tribe of Indians